



Cooke Aquaculture sending boats to Cambridge-Narrows

Experienced marine staff supporting relief efforts in flooded communities

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BLACKS HARBOUR, N.B. – Cooke Aquaculture has deployed two boats, personnel and equipment to help with flood relief efforts in the Village of Cambridge-Narrows along of the lower St. John River system. Cambridge-Narrows is located on the Washademoak Lake and home to approximately 650 residents and many cottagers.

One of the boats is a 21-foot white fiberglass skiff and the other is a 25-foot red Zodiac, and both frequently handle choppy tidal waters in the Bay of Fundy. The boats will be patrolling Washademoak Lake area communities in collaboration with the New Brunswick Emergency Measures Organization (NBEMO), local first responders and the Cambridge-Narrows volunteer fire department.

“The boats can each hold up to 12 people and can be used to help move residents from flooded areas or move supplies to areas where flood waters have cut off access. They can also be used to quickly move emergency personnel or for other emergency response needs,” said Joel Richardson, Vice President of Public Relations with Cooke Aquaculture.

The Cooke family offered the boats to NBEMO after providing several boats and experienced marine staff to support the record 2018 flood. The company will likely send more boats and staff to other flooded communities this week as flood waters peak. Cooke is one of several local businesses providing NBEMO flood relief support.

Cooke Aquaculture Inc. is a family-owned, sustainable fish farming company based in Blacks Harbour, NB, and employs over 1,400 New Brunswickers.

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